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the Honorable Members of the Courts of Justice - Criminal meeting,

I pray that you will support Delegate Cousins Legislation HB834, as it provides a dynamic opportunity for those who have swayed from their path and have had to choose an alternative while seeking a better life. That amongst those who have diligently served during their time to rehabilitate, as well as educate themselves in the process of their incarceration, deserve a second chance to be evaluated and considered for release as a returning citizen.

Where many supportive programs exist throughout the Commonwealth and have been successful in the transition of prior returning citizens mitigating recidivism; stands clear that there is a path to rehabilitation and a loving community welcoming a family and friend home to a better life.

Honorable Members Courts of Justice - Criminal, I ask of your support and sensitivity to those who have lost their way, who now desire after their institutional journey. 15 years to reverse the cycle of a reminiscent time, can be rewarding by providing a doorway back home.

Sincerely,

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Former Mayor / Councilman City of Petersburg,